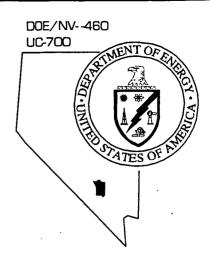
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# List of Acronyms and Abbreviations

AEC U.S. Atomic Energy Commission

Austral Oil Company

BTEX Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes

COPC Constituent(s) of potential concern

DOE U.S. Department of Energy

EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

EPA ORIA RSL U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Radiation and Indoor

Air, Radiation Sciences Laboratory

ft Foot (feet)

km Kilometer(s)

LTGMP Long-Term Groundwater Monitoring Plan

m Meter(s)
mi Mile(s)

MS/MSD Matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate

QAPP Quality Assurance Project Plan

QC Quality control

RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

RPD Relative percent difference

SGZ Surface Ground Zero

TPH Total petroleum hydrocarbons

TDS Total dissolved solids
TSS Total suspended solids  $\mu$ g/L Micrograms per liter

VOC Volatile organic compound

# 1.0 Introduction

This report summarizes the results of the third quarter 1996 groundwater sampling event for the Rulison Site, which is located approximately 65 kilometers (km) (40 miles [mi]) northeast of Grand Junction, Colorado. The sampling was performed as part of a quarterly groundwater monitoring program implemented by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to monitor the effectiveness of remediation of a drilling effluent pond located at the site. The effluent pond was used for the storage of drilling mud during drilling of the emplacement hole for a 1969 gas stimulation test conducted by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) (the predecessor agency to the DOE), and Austral Oil Company (Austral).

#### 1.1 Site Location

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The Rulison Site is located in the North ½ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 25, Township 7 South, Range 95 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, Garfield County, Colorado, approximately 19 km (12 mi) southwest of Rifle, Colorado, and approximately 65 km (40 mi) northeast of Grand Junction, Colorado (Figure 1-1). The site is situated on the north slope of Battlement Mesa on the upper reaches of Battlement Creek, at an elevation of approximately 2,500 meters (m) (8,200 feet [ft]). The valley is open to the north-northwest and is bounded on the other three sides by steep mountain slopes that rise to elevations above 2,927 m (9,600 ft).

# 1.2 Project Description and Background

Project Rulison, a joint AEC and Austral experiment, was conducted under the AEC's Plowshare Program to evaluate the feasibility of using a nuclear device to stimulate natural gas production in low-permeability, gas-producing geologic formations. The experiment was conducted on September 10, 1969, and consisted of detonating a 40-kiloton nuclear device at a depth of 2,568 m (8,426 ft) below ground surface. Natural gas production testing was conducted in 1970 and 1971.

The site was deactivated by the AEC and Austral in 1972 and abandoned in 1976. Cleanup associated with site abandonment consisted of removing all remaining equipment and materials, plugging the emplacement (R-E) and reentry (R-EX) wells (Figure 1-2), backfilling the mud pits adjacent to the R-EX well, removing the tritium-contaminated soils, and conducting extensive surface soil sampling and analysis to characterize the radiological condition of the site.

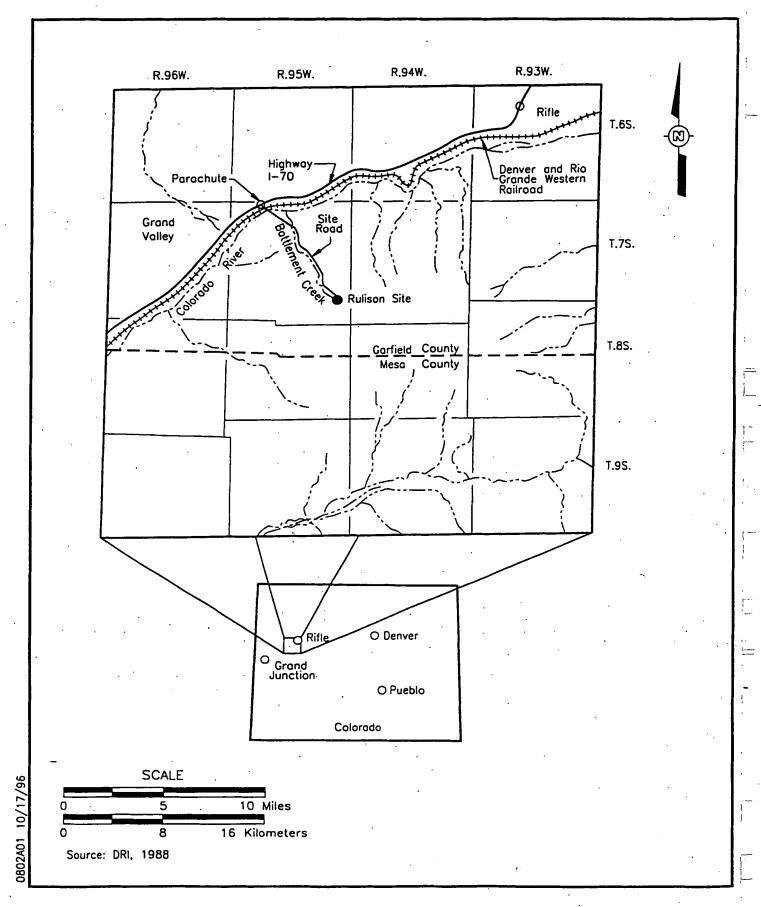
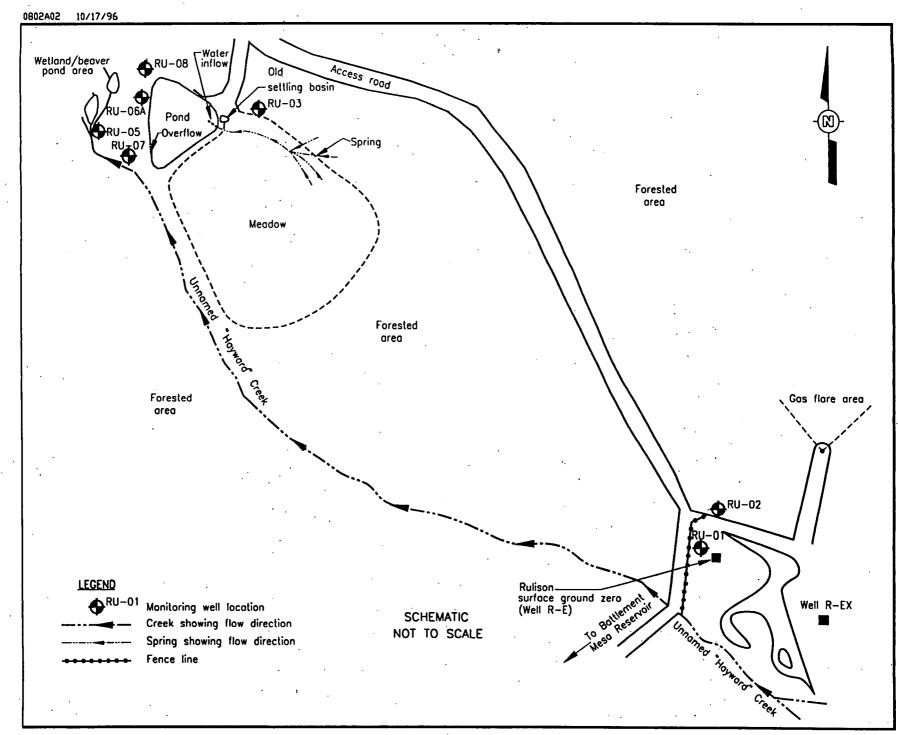


Figure 1-1
Rulison Site Location Map



Detailed descriptions of the site deactivation and abandonment activities and radiological characterizations are presented in the *Rulison Site Cleanup Report* (AEC, 1973), the *Project Rulison Well Plugging and Site Abandonment Final Report* (ERDA, 1977), and the *Rulison Radiation Contamination Clearance Report* (Eberline, 1977).

The drilling effluent pond is an engineered structure located approximately 400 m (1,312 ft) north-northwest of the surface ground zero (SGZ) emplacement well (R-E) (Figure 1-2). The pond covers approximately 0.5 hectare (1.2 acre) as measured at the top of the berm; it is triangular in shape; and it is approximately 6 m (20 ft) deep from the top of the berm to the pond bottom. The drilling effluent pond was used to store nonradioactive drilling fluids generated during drilling of the device emplacement well R-E. The drilling fluids consisted of bentonite drilling mud that contained various additives, such as diesel fuel and chrome lignosulfonate, used to improve drilling characteristics. Most of the drilling wastes were removed from the pond when the site was cleaned up and decommissioned in 1976; however, some drilling fluid was left in the pond. At the request of the property owner, the pond structure was left in place following completion of site decommissioning and was subsequently converted by the property owner to a freshwater holding pond containing aquatic vegetation, amphibians, and stocked rainbow trout.

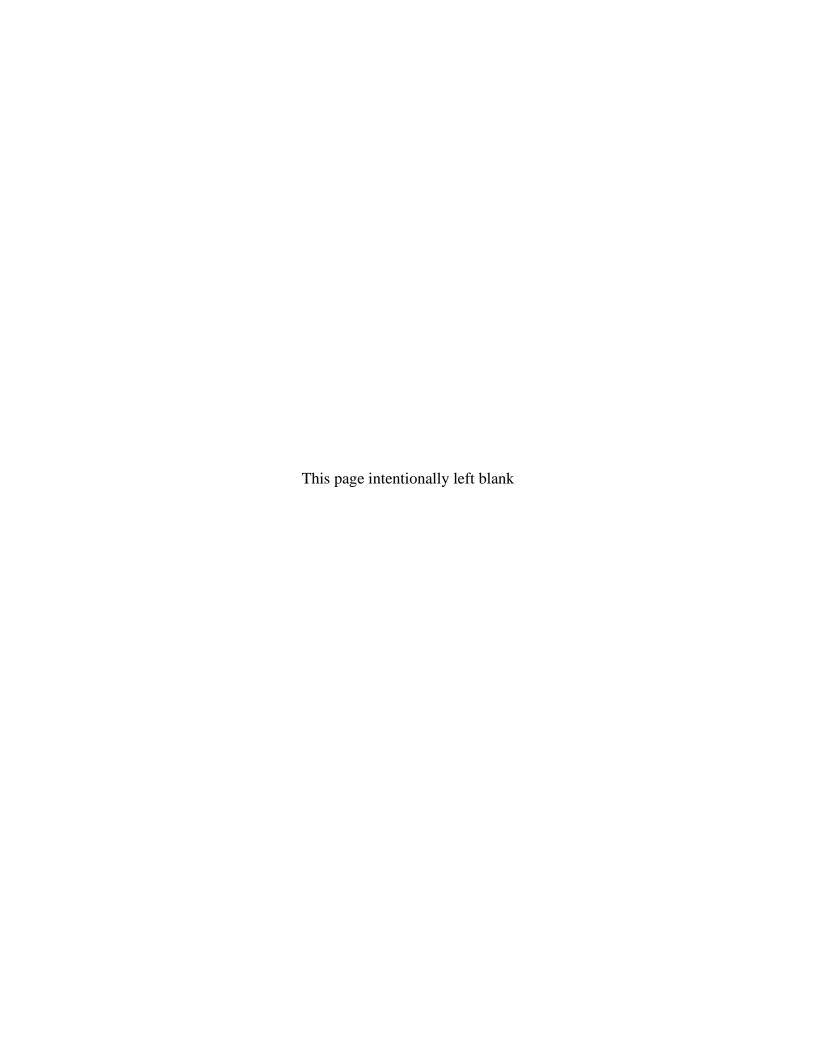
In 1994 and 1995, four pond sediment sampling events were conducted to evaluate the extent of residual contamination from drilling wastes remaining in the pond. Concentrations of diesel-range total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH); benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BTEX compounds); barium; chromium; and lead were found in pond sediment samples and soil samples taken from an old settling basin located adjacent to the pond. Based on the results of the 1994 and 1995 sampling events, the DOE decided to conduct a voluntary cleanup action at the pond to reduce the levels of TPH and chromium in pond sediments and soils in and adjacent to the pond. The cleanup was completed in November 1995. One upgradient monitoring well (RU-03 on Figure 1-2) and four downgradient monitoring wells (RU-05, RU-06A, RU-07, and RU-08) were installed around the pond to monitor the effectiveness of the cleanup. A detailed description of pond cleanup and well installation is presented in the *Rulison Site Corrective Action Report* (DOE, 1996a).

# 1.3 Summary of Site Activities

The initial third quarter 1996 groundwater sampling event was conducted on September 10, 1996, by representatives from the DOE and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air, Radiation Sciences Laboratory (EPA ORIA RSL). The analytical results for the September groundwater samples contained several anomalies that included the following:

- BTEX compounds were detected in an equipment rinsate blank at concentrations that were higher than the concentrations reported for the groundwater samples, which indicates that BTEX concentrations reported for the groundwater samples may not be representative of groundwater quality.
- The same apparent laboratory TPH contamination that was encountered during analyses of the first and second quarter 1996 samples (DOE, 1996b) was detected in samples collected in September.
- Total suspended solids (TSS) concentrations were significantly higher than TSS concentrations measured in the same wells in November 1995 (DOE, 1996a), which indicates that the sampling technique used for the September sampling event (a portable pump) may have stirred up sediments present in the bottom of the monitoring wells.

Because of the uncertainties with respect to the representativeness of the September analytical results, the DOE decided to conduct an additional sampling event to replace the September results. This second sampling event was conducted on October 8 and 9, 1996, by representatives from DOE. The weather was sunny and dry. Wells RU-05, RU-07, and RU-08 were dry, and, therefore, they were not sampled. No other unusual observations were made, and no problems were experienced during the sampling event. The remainder of this report describes the results of the October 1996 sampling event.



# 2.0 Sampling and Analysis Procedures

The third quarter 1996 (October) groundwater sampling event was conducted in general accordance with the Rulison Drilling Effluent Pond Site Long-Term Groundwater Monitoring Plan (LTGMP) (DOE, 1996c) and the Rulison Site Quality Assurance Project Plan, Rulison Site, Colorado (QAPP) (DOE, 1996d).

#### 2.1 Groundwater Level Measurement

Before purging and sampling activities at each well began, the depth to groundwater and total depth of the well were measured. This information was used to calculate the appropriate purge volume and to allow evaluation of any potential changes to groundwater flow direction since the previous sampling event.

# 2.2 Well Purging

Monitoring wells were purged of stagnant groundwater using disposable bailers. The purge water was discharged to the ground under Colorado Wastewater Discharge Permit No. COG-310084 as approved by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division (see Appendix A).

# 2.3 Sample Collection and Handling

Groundwater samples were collected from wells RU-03 and RU-06A with disposable bottomemptying bailers. For quality control (QC) purposes, one duplicate sample and one matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate sample (MS/MSD) were collected during the sampling event. In addition, a trip blank accompanied all volatile organic samples in their shipping container. Samples were containerized and preserved as specified in Table 2-1. All containers were certified clean by the laboratory and remained sealed until ready for use.

# 2.4 Sample Analysis

The groundwater samples from the third quarter sampling event were analyzed for the parameters listed in Table 2-1, as specified in the Rulison LTGMP (DOE, 1996c). These parameters included the constituents of potential concern (COPCs) identified for the drilling effluent pond sediments (TPH, BTEX, barium, chromium, and lead).

Table 2-1 Rulison Site Groundwater Monitoring Program Sample Container, Preservation, and Analytical Requirements

Parameter	Analytical Method	Sample Container	Minimum Amount of Sample Required	Holding Time	Preservative <sup>a</sup>
BTEX	SW-846 <sup>b</sup> 8020	Glass with Teflon™- lined cap	2 x 40 mL	14 days	pH <2 with HCI Cool to 4°C
TPH (diesel fraction)	SW-846 8015M <sup>C</sup>	Glass	1 liter	14 days	pH <2 with H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> Cool to 4°C
RCRA <sup>d</sup> Metals	SW-846 6010/ 7470	Glass or Polyethylene	1 liter	180 days	HNO <sub>3</sub> to pH <2 Cool to 4°C
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	EPA 160.1 <sup>e</sup>	Glass or Polyethylene	100 mL	7 days	Cool to 4°C
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	EPA 160.2 <sup>e</sup>	Glass or Polyethylene	100 mL	7 days	Cool to 4°C
pH	Field	Glass or Polyethylene	25 mL	Analyze Immediately	None

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Holding time calculated from verified time of sample collection. Holding time for mercury is 28 days.

mL Milliliter

Hcl Hydrochloric acid H2SO4 = Sulfuric acid-Nitric acid **Degrees Celsius** 

bU.S. Environmental protection Agency, SW-846 Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods, 3d Edition

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>C</sup>EPA SW-846, modified according to the California State Water Resources Control Board, Leaking Underground Fuel Tank Field Manual, Guidelines for Site Assessment, Cleanup, and Underground Storage Tank Closure, Appendix B (1989)

Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes, (EPA, 1983)

# 3.0 Analytical Results

The analytical results for the pond cleanup COPCs (diesel-range TPH, BTEX, barium, chromium, and lead) for the drilling effluent pond monitoring wells are presented in Table 3-1. Appendix B contains the results for all analytes for the third quarter sampling event. The following sections provide a discussion of the third quarter 1996 groundwater sampling results.

#### 3.1 BTEX

Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BTEX compounds) were not detected in any of the groundwater samples from the third quarter 1996 sampling event.

## 3.2 Diesel-Range TPH

Diesel-range TPH was not detected in any of the groundwater samples from the third quarter 1996 sampling event.

# 3.3 Inorganics

The third quarter samples from both wells contained arsenic and barium. In addition, lead was detected in the sample from well RU-03 and in the duplicate sample from well RU-06A, but not in the sample from well RU-06A. Arsenic was not identified as a COPC for pond cleanup and likely is of local natural origin. Selenium was not detected in the sample from either well.

There currently are insufficient data to establish concentration trends or to determine whether barium concentrations in groundwater downgradient from the pond are significantly elevated above background. Statistical trends will be calculated as data are acquired from additional quarterly groundwater monitoring events.

#### 3.4 Groundwater Flow

Groundwater depth and elevation data for the drilling effluent pond monitoring wells from the third quarter sampling event are presented in Table 3-2. Based on the groundwater elevation data, it appears that groundwater flow during the third quarter sampling event was generally towards the northwest. Under this flow condition, Well RU-03 is upgradient from the pond, and Well RU-06A is downgradient from the pond.

# Table 3-1 Rulison Site Groundwater Analytical Results: Third Quarter, 1996 (All results in µg/L) (Page 1 of 2)

Well	First Quarter	Second	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	First Quarter	Second	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
AACII	1996	Quarter 1996	1996	1996	1997	Quarter 1997	1997	1997
				TPH -	Diesel			
RU-03	100U	94U	500U				,	
		-	,	·				
RU-05	100UJ <sup>1</sup>	94U	NS			·		<u></u>
RU-06A	100U	71R	500U					
RU-07	NS	NS	NS					
RU-08	100UJ <sup>1</sup>	94U	NS					
			•	Ben	zene			<del>!</del>
RU-03	0.5U	0.5U	10					I .
RU-05	0.5U	0.5U	NS					<del></del>
RU-06A	0.5U	0.5U	1U					
RU-07	NS	NS	NS					
RU-08	0.5U	0.5U	NS					
				Tolu	iene .	•		
RU-03	0.5U	0.5U	10					
RU-05	0.5U	0.5U	NS					
RU-06A	0.5U	0.5U	10					
RU-07	NS	NS	NS		·			
RU-08	0.5U	0.5U	NS					
				Ethylb	enzene			
RU-03	0.5U	0.5U	10					
511.05							•	
RU-05	0.5U	0.5U	NS					
RU-06A	0.5U	0.5U	1U					•
RU-07	NS .	NS	NS					
RU-08	0.5U	0.5U	NS				·	
BLLOO	0.511	0.511		Xylene	s (total)			
RU-03	0.5U	0.5U	10		·			
RU-05	0.5U	0.511	NC				<u></u>	
RU-06A	0.5U	0.5U	NS		•			
RU-07	NS ·	0.5U NS	1U NS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
RU-08	0.5U	0.5U	NS NS					•
110-00	0.50	0.50	N2				<u> </u>	L

# Table 3-1 Rulison Site Groundwater Analytical Results: Third Quarter, 1996

(All results in µg/L) (Page 2 of 2)

Well	First Quarter			Fourth Quarter	First Quarter	Second	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
VVCII	1996	Quarter 1996	1996	1996	1997	Quarter 1997	1997	1997
				Bar	ium			
RU-03	120	110.	105					
RU-05	360	120	NS					
RU-06A	120	120	119					,
RU-07	NS	NS	NS					
RU-08	350	140	NS					
				Chro	mium			
RU-03	10U	10U	1.5U					
RU-05	· 24	10U	NS					
RU-06A	10U	10U	1.5U					
RU-07	NS	NS	NS					
RU-08	10U	10U	NS					
				Le	ad			
RU-03	5.6U	3U	1.5					
RU-05	13U	3U .	NS	ŀ				
RU-06A	3U	3 <i>U</i>	0.8U					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
RU-07	NS	NS	NS					
RU-08	12U	3U -	NS					
	Selenium						•	
RU-03	16	14	2.8U					
RU-05	7.2	6	NS					·
RU-06A	12	20	2.8U					
RU-07	NS	NS	NS					
RU-08	12 '	22	NS	<u> </u>				

<sup>1</sup> Sample analysis exceeded holding time

Values in italics are for the dissolved fraction

Values in bold are the third quarter 1996 sampling event results

NS = Well dry - no sample collected

U = Analyte not detected above the specified value

R = Quality control indicates that the data are unusable (compound may or may not be present)

J = Reported value is estimated

# Table 3-2 Rulison Site Groundwater Elevations: Third Quarter, 1996

	First Quarter	Second	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	First Quarter	Second	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter
Well	1996	Quarter 1996	1996	1996	1997	Quarter 1997	1997	1997
-	1990	Quarter 1990	1330	Depth to		Quarter 1007	1007	1 1001
<u> </u>	10.50	0.04	40.04	Depth to	Water	<del></del>	<del></del>	<del> </del>
RU-03	10.56 m	6.81 m	12.94 m	·				Í
	(34.65 ft)	(22.33 ft)	(42.44 ft)	<u> </u>				
						<u> </u>		ļ
RU-05	2.35 m	1.96 m	Dry				1	
	(7.71 ft)	(6.42 ft)					·	
RU-06A	4.74 m	4.38 m	5.55 m	· i		ļ	ŀ	,
110-007	(15.56 ft)	(14.38 ft)	(18.20 ft)					
RU-07	Dry	Dry	D <sub>i</sub> ry	·				
DU 00	1.78 m	1.70 m	Day			ļ <sup>-</sup>		ŀ
RU-08	(5.85 ft)	(5.58 ft)	Dry					
				Groundwate	er Elevation			<del></del>
511.00	2444.29 m	2448.05 m	2441.92 m			1		
RU-03	(8019.33 ft)	(8031.65 ft)	(8011.54 ft)	,	,			)
DU 05	2433.95 m	2434.35 m	< 2434.09 m					
RU-05	(7985.41 ft)	(7986.70 ft)	(< 7985.87 ft)					
DI 204	2430.10 m	2430.46 m	2429.30 m					
RU-06A	(7972.78 ft)	(7973.96 ft)	(7970.14 ft)	. '				l
D11 03	< 2438 91 m   < 2438 91 m   < 2438 91 m							
RU-07	(< 8001.67 ft)	(< 8001.67 ft)	(< 8001.67 ft)		ļ			
DULOC	2429.05 m	2429.13 m	< 2429.01 m					
RU-08	(7969.33 ft)	(7969.60 ft)	(< 7969.18 ft)		<u> </u>			<u> </u>

# 4.0 Quality Control Results

Field and laboratory QC sample requirements and acceptance criteria are specified in the Rulison QAPP (DOE, 1996d). The laboratory narrative for the third quarter sampling analytical results is included in Appendix B and provides a summary of the results for laboratory QC samples required under the various analytical methods used for the project. The following sections describe the results for field QC samples that are not covered by the laboratory narratives because they are not explicit requirements under the analytical methods used, but they are required for field sampling under the Rulison QAPP (DOE, 1996d).

# 4.1 Field Duplicate Samples

Field duplicate samples are used to monitor the variability associated with sample collection procedures and to provide estimates of the total sampling and analytical precision. A duplicate sample was collected from Well RU-06A during the sampling event. The relative percent differences (RPDs) between analytes detected in the original sample and the same analytes detected in the associated field duplicate sample were calculated and compared against the precision acceptance criteria specified in the Rulison QAPP (DOE, 1996d). The sample and sample duplicate results, calculated RPDs, and precision acceptance criteria are presented in Table 4-1.

Arsenic, barium, and lead were the only analytes detected in the RU-06A sample and/or sample duplicate. The RPD for barium (1 percent) was within the precision acceptance criterion of  $\pm$  20 percent specified in the Rulison QAPP (DOE, 1996d). The RPDs for arsenic (55 percent) and lead ( $\geq$  40 percent) were outside of the precision acceptance criterion of  $\pm$  20 percent. Since arsenic is likely of local natural origin, its RPD may represent natural variability in groundwater quality. The relatively large RPD for lead is a result of it being detected in the duplicate sample but not in the original sample.

# 4.2 Equipment Rinsate Blank Samples

Equipment rinsate blanks are used to monitor potential cross-contamination associated with inadequate equipment decontamination procedures. Sampling equipment decontamination was not required during the third quarter sampling event since disposable bailers were used, so an equipment rinsate blank was not prepared.

Table 4-1
Rulison Site Groundwater Monitoring Program
Duplicate Sample Comparison:
Third Quarter, 1996

(All results in µg/L)

Analyte	Sample	Sample Duplicate	RPD <sup>1</sup>	RPD Acceptance Criterion
TPH	500U	500U	ND	± 40
Benzene	. 1U	1U	ND	± 11 to 24
Toluene	1U	1U	ND	± 11 to 24
Ethylbenzene	1U	1U	ND	± 11 to 24
Xylenes	1U	1'U	ND	± 11 to 24
Arsenic	6.7	3.8	55	± 20
Barium	119	118	1	± 20
Cadmium	0.6U	0.6U	ND	± 20
Chromium	1.5U	1.5U	ND	± 20
Lead	0.8U	1.2	≥-40	± 20
Mercury	0.1U	0.1U	ND	± 20
Selenium	2.8U	2.8U	ND	± 20 .
Silver	1.5U	1.5U	ND	± 20

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Relative percent difference

# 4.3 Trip Blank Samples

Trip blanks are used to monitor potential volatile organic compound (VOC) cross-contamination introduced into VOC sample containers through diffusion during sample shipment and storage. Trip blank samples were placed in each shipping container used for shipping BTEX samples. BTEX compounds were not detected in the trip blank from the third quarter sampling event.

U = Analyte not detected above the specified value

ND = Not determined

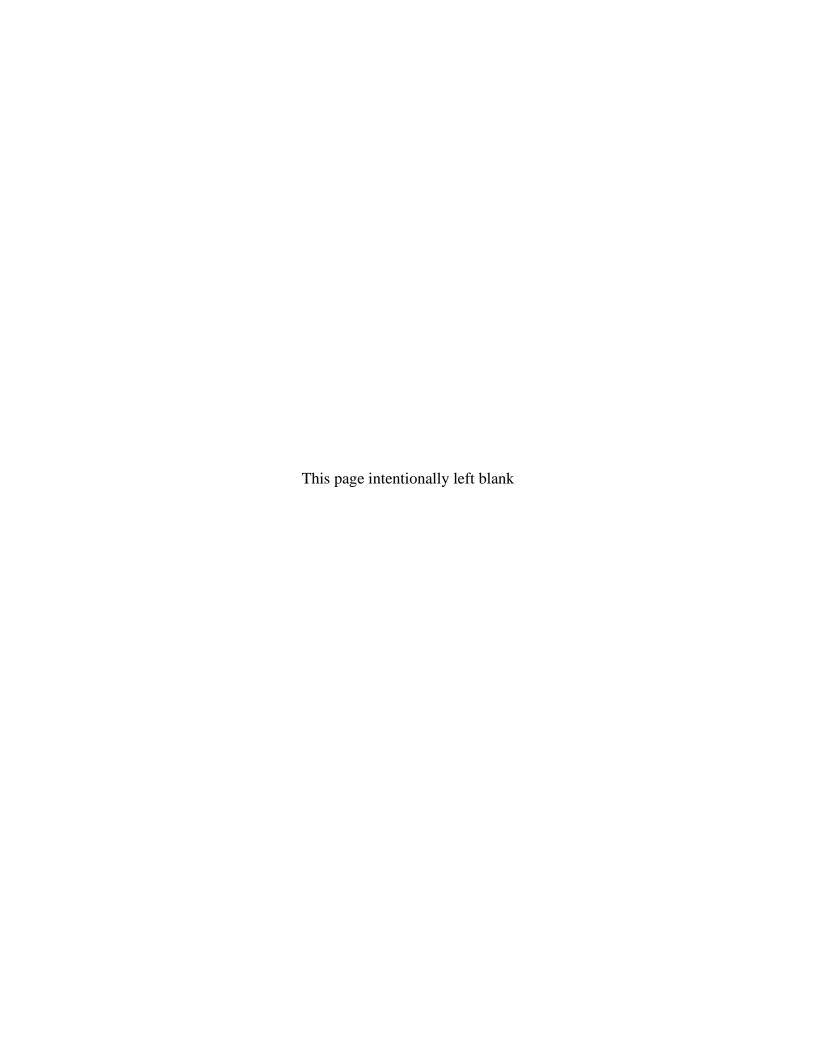
# 5.0 Summary and Conclusions

The analytical data from the third quarter 1996 groundwater sampling event indicate that migration of contaminants from the drilling effluent pond sediments currently does not appear to be occurring. The following is a summary of the third quarter 1996 groundwater sample results:

**BTEX Compounds:** BTEX compounds were not detected in any of the third quarter groundwater samples.

<u>Diesel-Range TPH</u>: Diesel-range TPH was not detected in any of the third quarter groundwater samples.

Inorganics: Barium and lead were the only pond cleanup COPCs detected in the third quarter 1996 groundwater samples. Barium was detected in the samples collected from both monitoring wells sampled during the event, and lead was detected in the sample from the upgradient monitoring well (RU-03). As discussed in Section 3.3, there currently are insufficient data to establish concentration trends or to determine whether barium concentrations in groundwater downgradient from the drilling effluent pond are significantly elevated above background. Statistical trends will be calculated as data are acquired from additional quarterly sampling events.



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# Appendix A Purge Water Discharge Permit

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March 19, 1996

Mr. Kevin D. Leary DOE

Subject: Reply to request for addition of source to permit COG-310084.

Dear Mr. Leary:

The Division has received and reviewed your fax of 3/19/96. Since the wells described in your fax are in such close proximity to the pond that the permit was designed to provide dewatering conditions for the Division

will allow the wells to be dewatered using the same discharge point as described in the permit. Please follow the same conditions and monitoring schedule as described in the permit. The Division realizes that due to the small amount of water in question, the water might not be of sufficient flow to reach the discharge point. Any future purgings of the water from these wells are covered by this letter and the permit noted above as long as the permit remains active and conditions, monitoring schedule and reporting procedure are followed.

Please feel free to call me at (303)+692-3593 with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Toug

Tom Boyce
Environmental Protection Specialist
Permits and Enforcement
WATER QUALITY CONTROL DIVISION

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# Appendix B

Third Quarter 1996 Analytical Results

# Sample Number-Sample Location Crosswalk

Sample Number

RUGW0005

RUGW0006

RUGW0007

**Sample Location** 

Well RU-03

Well RU-06A

Well RU-06A Duplicate



October 19, 1996

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# **CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS**

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Attention: Mr. Kurt Schmidt

Quanterra, St. Louis Project Number

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Date Received

Number of Samples

Sample type

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317.43

12453

October 10, 1996

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Water

# INTRODUCTION

The following samples from the Nevada Test Site were received at Quanterra, St. Louis for Metals, Gamma, Rad-Screen, Tritium, Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon (Diesel and Gasoline), Radium 226, Strontium 89/90, Total Dissolved Solids, Tritium, Total Suspended Solids, BTEX and Gross Alpha/Beta. Enclosed is the full data package. The radiochemistry will be transmitted at a later date when those items get completed neater the due date.

Reviewed and Approved

Allen M. Field

Ouanterra Project Manager



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The samples were labeled as follows:

CLIENT ID	LAB ID	Matrix
RUGW007	12453-001	Water
.RUGW006	12453-002	Water
RUGW005	12453-003,DUP,MS,MSD	Water
RUGW001	12453-004	Water
RUGW002	12453-005	Water
RUGW003	12453-006	Water
RUGW009	12453-007	Water
RUGW004	12453-009	Water
RUSP0008	12453-010	Water

# ANALYTICAL RESULTS/METHODOLOGY

The analytical results are presented in the enclosed Certificate of Analysis and EDD Disk. This report includes information on client identification numbers, lab identification numbers, preparation date, analysis date, results, units, and results for quality control samples.

The following table is a list of the analyses requested and the methods used for the above samples:

Analysis	Method
Metals	EPA method 7470/6010
Gamma Scan	EPA 901.1
Tritium	EPA 906.0
TPH (Diesel)	EPA 8015
Gross Alpha/Beta	EPA 900.0
BTEX	EPA 8020
Radium	EPA 903.1
Strontium 89/90	Std. Method 7500-Sr
Total Dissolved Solids	EPA method 160.1
Total Suspended Solids	EPA method 160.2



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#### **QUALITY CONTROL**

Method blanks and laboratory control samples were analyzed with the samples listed above for each parameter. A laboratory duplicate, matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate was performed on sample RUGW005.

#### **NONCONFORMANCE**

There were no nonconformances associated with the analysis of these samples.

#### **COMMENTS**

Login 12453 was received at a temperature of 3/2/2/2°C. Sample RUGW0010 was not received on COC 486075.

## **Analytical Notes**

#### Metals

The nitric acid preserved samples were filtered and matrix matched with HCl to our normal ICAP standards matrix and analyzed without digestion. In addition a matrix spike was prepared by spiking a second aliquot of sample after filtration.

Total recoverable metals were digested by SW846 method 3005A and analyzed by SW846 method 6010A. The matrix spike recovery for iron in the total recoverable metals analysis was 30% and below the 80-120% criteria. In accordance with our SOW the associated iron data was flagged with an "N".

# **QUALIFIERS/DEFINITIONS**

\* Values outside of QC limits

B Results were between the PQL and the IDL.

U Results are less than the IDL

J : An estimated value.

ND Parameter was analyzed for but not detected.

UG/L
MG/L
Milligrams per Liter.
pCi/L
Picocurries per liter.
NA
Not applicable.

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%REC : Percent Recovery.

DUP Duplicate

QCBLK Laboratory Method Blank QCLCS Laboratory Control Sample.

Qual. Qualifier.

LCL : Lower Control Limits.
UCL : Upper Control Limits.

PQL Practical Quantitation Limit.
MDA Minimum Detectable Activity.

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Project: 317.43

Category: TPH
Method: EPA 8015
Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0005

Sample Date : 10/08/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/18/96

Quanterra ID : 12453-003

Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result Unit	Qual.	Detection Limit	Dilution	
Diesel C-40			10/15/96 10/15/96	10/18/96 10/18/96	0.50 mg/L 65 %REC	U	0.50	. 1	

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Project: 317.43

Category: TPH Method: EPA 8015 Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0006

Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/18/96

Quanterra ID : 12453-002

Analyte		Blank Sample CAS Number Name		Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Detection Result Unit Qual. Limit Dilution				
Diesel C-40	<del></del>	68334-30-5 14762-74-4	QCBLK116937-1 QCBLK116937-1	10/15/96 10/15/96	10/18/96 10/18/96	0.50 mg/L 76 %REC	U	0.50	1	

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Category: TPH
Method: EPA 8015
Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0007

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Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/18/96

Analyte	Blank Sample	Prep. Analyses	Detection
	CAS Number Name	Date Date	Result Unit Qual. Limit Dilution
Diesel	68334-30-5 QCBLK116937-1	10/15/96 10/18/96	0.50 mg/L U 0.50 1
C-40	14762-74-4 QCBLK116937-1	10/15/96 10/18/96	84 %REC 1

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Category: BTEX
Method: EPA 8020
Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0005

Sample Date : 10/08/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 11/13/96

Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result Unit		Qual.	Detection Limit	n Dilution	
Benzene	71-43-2	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	.1.0	ug/L	U	1.0	· 1	
Toluene '	108-88-3	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	U	1.0	.1	
EthylBenzene	100-41-4	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	U	1.0	`1	
m-,p-Xylene	136777-61-2	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	Ū	1.0	1	
o-Xylene	95-47-6	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	Ū	1.0	1	
Bromofluorobenzene (SURR)	460-00-4	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	100	%REC	_		1	

Project: 317.43

Category: BTEX
Method: EPA 8020
Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0006

Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 11/13/96

Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result Un	it Q	ual.	Detection Limit	Dilution
Benzene	71-43-2	QC8LK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96 .	1.0 ug	/L (	J	1.0	1
Toluene	108-88-3	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0 ug		j	1.0	1
EthylBenzene	100-41-4	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0 ug	/L L	j	1.0	. 1
m-,p-Xylene	136777-61-2	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0 ug	/L L	J	1.0	1
o-Xylene	95-47-6	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0 ug	/L Ù	, .	1.0	1
Bromofluorobenzene (SURR)	460-00-4	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	104 XR	C			1

Project: 317.43

Category: BTEX
Method: EPA 8020
Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0007

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Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 11/13/96

Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. <i>Date</i>	Analyses Date	Result	Unit	Qual.	Detection Limit	Dilution
Benzene	71-43-2	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	U .	1.0	1
Toluene	108-88-3	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	Ū.	1.0	1
EthylBenzene	100-41-4	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	Ū	1.0	1
m-,p-Xylene	136777-61-2	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	Ū	1.0	i
o-Xylene	95-47-6	QCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	1.0	ug/L	ŭ .	1.0	. i
Bromofluorobenzene (SURR)	460-00-4	OCBLK117481-1	10/17/96	10/17/96	110	%REC	-	•••	i i

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Category: ICAP Metals Method: EPA 6010 Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0005

Sample Date : 10/08/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/19/96

Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result	Unit	Qual.	Detection Limit	Dilut	ion
Arsenic	7440-38-2	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	3.2	ug/L	В	10.0	•	1
Barium ·	7440-39-3	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	105	ug/L	В	200		1
Cadmium	7440-43-9	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.60	ug/L	U	5.0		1
Chromium	7440-47-3	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.5	ug/L	U	10.0		1
Lead	7439-92-1	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.5	ug/L	В	3.0		1
Selenium	7782-49-2	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96		ug/L	Ū	5.0		1
Silver	7440-22-4	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96		ug/L	Ū	10.0		1

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Category: ICAP Metals Method: EPA 6010 Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0006

Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/19/96

Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result	Unit	Qual.	Detection Limit	n Dilution
•	CAS AGIDE								
Arsenic	7440-38-2	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	6.7	ug/L	В	10.0	1
Barium	7440-39-3	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	119	ug/L	· B	200	1
Cadmium	7440-43-9	QCBLK116737-1 ·	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.60	ug/L	U	5.0	1
Chromium	7440-47-3	QCBLK1.16737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.5	ug/L	U	10.0	.1
Lead	7439-92-1	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.80	ug/L	U	3.0	1
Selenium	7782-49-2	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	2.8	ug/L	U	5.0	1
Silver	7440-22-4	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.5	ug/L	Ū	10.0	1

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Category: ICAP Metals Method: EPA 6010 Matrix: Water

Client ID: RUGW0007

Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/19/96

nalyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result	Unit	Qual.	Detection Limit	Dilution
rsenic	7440-38-2	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	3.8	ug/L	В	10.0	1
arium.	7440-39-3	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	118	ug/L	8	200 `	1
admium	7440-43-9	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.60	ug/L	U	5.0	1
hromium	7440-47-3	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.5	ug/L	U	10.0	1
ead	7439-92-1	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.2	ug/L	В	3.0	1.
elenium	7782-49-2	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96		ug/L	Ū	5.0	1
lver	7440-22-4	QCBLK116737-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	1.5	ug/L	Ū	10.0	1

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Category: MERCURY Method: EPA 7470 Matrix: Water

Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/17/96

Client	Quanterra ID	Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result U	nit	Qual.	Detection Limit	Dil.	
RUGW0007	12453-001	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/90	5 10/12/96	0.10 u	g/L	U	0.20	1	-
RUGW0006	12453-002	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/98	5 10/12/96	0.10 u	g/L	,u ·	0.20	1	
RUGW0005	12453-003	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	5 10/12/96	0.10 u	g/L	U	0.20	1	
RUGW0005DUP	12453-003DUP	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.10 u	9/L	U	0.20	1	
RUGW0005MS	12453-003MS	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	82 %	REC			1	
RUGW0001	12453-004	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.10 uş	3/L	U	0.20	1	
RUGW0002	12453-005	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.10 ug	3/L	υ	0.20	1	
RUGW0003	12453-006	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	0.10 ug	3/L	U	0.20	1	
OCLCS116739-1	QCLCS116739-1	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	.10/12/96	10/12/96	97 %F	EC			1	
OCBLK116739-1	QCBLK116739-1	Mercury	7439-97-6	QCBLK116739-1	10/12/96	10/12/96	-0.13 ug	I/L	В	0.20	1	

Project: 317.43

Category: TSS Method: EPA 160.2 Matrix: Water Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/17/96

Client ID	Quanterra ID	Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result Ur	it Qual.	Detection Limit	n Dil.
RUGW0007	12453-001	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/90	10/11/96	11.0 mg	/L	1.00	1
RUGW0006	12453-002	Total Suspended	C-009	OCBLK116636-1	10/11/98	10/11/96	8.0 mg	/L .	1.00	. 1
RUGW0005	12453-003	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	62.0 mg	/L	1.00	1
RUGW0005	12453-003DUP	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	.67.0 mg	/L	1.00	1
RUGW0001	12453-004	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	1.00 mg	/L U	1.00	1
RUGW0002	12453-005	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	14.0 mg	/L	1.00	1
RUGW0003	12453-006	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	12.0 mg	′L	1.00	1
QCBLK116636-1	QCBLK116636-1	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	1.00 mg	'L U	1.00	1
QCLCS116636-1	QCLCS116636-1	Total Suspended	C-009	QCBLK116636-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	94 %RI	c ·		1

Project: 317.43

Category: TDS Method: EPA 160.1 Matrix: Water Sample Date : 10/09/96 Receipt Date : 10/10/96 Report Date : 10/17/96

Client	Quanterra ID	Analyte	CAS Number	Blank Sample Name	Prep. Date	Analyses Date	Result	Unit	Qual.	Detection Limit	Dil.
RUĠW0007	12453-001	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	433	mg/L		5.00	1
RUGW0006	12453-002	Total Dissolved	C-010	OCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	445	mg/L	•	5.00	1
RUGWOO05	12453-003	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	458	mg/L		5.00	1
RUGWOO05	12453-003DUP	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635~1	10/11/96	10/11/96	442	mg/L		5.00	1
RUGW0001	12453-004	Total Dissolved	c-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	453	mg/L		5.00	1
RUGW0002	12453-005	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	463	mg/L		5.00	1
RUGW0003	12453-006	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	452	mg/L		5.00	1
QCBLK116635-1	QCBLK116635-1	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	5.00 1	mg/L	U	5.00	1
OCLCS116635-1	QCLCS116635-1	Total Dissolved	C-010	QCBLK116635-1	10/11/96	10/11/96	105	%REC			1

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